

Beloved Friend

Dublin Sept. 16th 1845

I have only time to say a word, and the first one shall be, to thank you for your kind letter, to Frederick and myself - it came to hand one day sooner than my other letters. ~~did~~, and I began to think that it was all that I was to receive, & I was glad to hear from home. you can have no idea how eager we are to get a word ^{from} you., it seems as though we are almost out of the world's net to get our Anti Slavery papers weekly, is a great privation, but when you add to that the loss of all communication with our friends, you can ~~realize~~ ^{imagine} how good it must be, to receive such a letter as yours, you will be glad to learn that our friends are hard at work repairing things for the Boston Fair, you will I think receive a valuable donation of articles from Cork as well as Dublin. I have done what I could for you, where I have been. I shall not fail to press upon the friends, the necessity of subscribing for the Standard & Liberator. I am somewhat disappointed at the amount of ignorance, I find existing among the people, of the Anti Slavery movement in our country. The Webb & Houghtons are well informed. When I say that, I say about all I can say of Dublin, but we find the people very anxious to learn. I wish I had taken more of ^{our} publications - if you could send me by some conveyance that would not cost much. Some of your tracts containing extracts from the Slave laws, or any thing

going to show the horrible nature of Slavery as
it is! I think I could distribute them to
advantage, and where they would return you
an abundant harvest. I am satisfied
that there ^{are} many people here who only need
the light, to become Co labourers in the cause
of human freedom in the United States, as
well as here - many have the foolish notion
put into their heads by proslavery men from
the U.S., that all efforts on this side of
the water have a tendency to retard the cause
in America; but I think we shall succeed
in convincing a portion of the people in
Dublin, as least, that they can do something
towards emancipating the Slaves in our Country,
and that no earnest effort in any part of
the wide world, can have any other than
a good influence on ~~the~~ the efforts of
others. we have had four meetings in Dublin
which has made considerable excitement. we
are to have another tomorrow Evening, in
the largest Hall in the City and I think it
will be full, it holds 3000 people. Frederi-
ck is very popular here - I shall send
you a paper containing an acct of our
first meeting. James Houghton is the Francis
Jackson of this place, he is a great man
and a perfect Democrat in the best sense
of the term. Richard D Webb you all know
he is one of the right sort of quakers. has
all of their good qualities and none of
their bad ones. he speaks his mind
freely of his own Sect. which makes
him unpopular with the powers that be
I mean the ruling influences in the Church

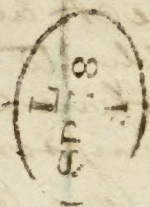
- I have received a letter from H. C. Wright he
is hard at work ^{trying} to abolish the American Union
they are to have a Convention in Glasgow the 30th
of next month to which we are invited to be present,
We shall try to be there. I have written more
now than I expected. When I began I only
expected to say a word just to thank you
for your remembrance of us - I am no
letter-writer but I know you will excuse
my mistakes when you know that it is
from the hand of one who entertains for
you nothing but the highest respect and
esteem - please remember me kindly to
your Sisters. I shall write Caroline as
engaged when I meet George Thompson,
~~and~~ for Frederick joins me in love to
to all the friends. I shall try and write
a word for the Liberator, if my head
will allow me, I have had a severe
head ache for two days, so much so
that I have been quite prevented from
writing, and I ~~don't~~ ^{hardly} know what I have
written to you, such as it is you have
it yours for humanity.

Mariah W. Chapman

James N. Buffum

Nov 17 - This far it was plain sailing. Our last meeting in
the Maine Anti-Slavery Society, held at the Rth Frederick had
the following interesting minutes of the ~~Anti~~ ^{the} Cincinnati Conference
of Methodists in 1836. He regretted that within the last two hours
he had heard a Methodist preacher express the opinion that a
slaveholder could be a Christian. To be sure he could. The question
turns upon the answer to the other question what is a Christian?
Well, the Methodists are very angry & pained are frightened because
they are angry. They also feared ~~that~~ ^{he} would keep his promise to say something

of the shortcomings of Russia, I send in a future letter.
Accordingly yesterday in their bi-monthly meeting they withdrew
the have granted and we can have no future meetings on
the same premises. We have drawn up an address to present on
this subject. ~~which~~ I enclose a copy of which you can make
any use you please. This conference we in my opinion that
British abolitionism is no better than Rogers has described it to be.
If we are in business we should find way to the same influence
and ~~influence~~ do as far as we are tried we do give way
to them at home within the present instance.



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Fredrick is in high spirits and I have no doubt that he will
make his way through all the difficulties that may oppose
his progress. He is the very man for us - And as to James
Russell we need no better
Yours truly
Richd D Webb